

The Honorable Robert F. McDonnell  
Governor of Virginia  
Patrick Henry Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
1111 East Broad Street  
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Governor McDonnell:

I am writing to you about an issue of significant importance to Fairfax County - the implementation of the Commonwealth's agreement with the United States Department of Justice and the planned closure of the Northern Virginia Training Center (NVTC).

NVTC's 80 acre campus is located in Fairfax County on Braddock Road, a highly-developed, frequently traveled area of the County. The site has a well-deserved reputation for providing excellent services to the current 150 residents, while not having a major impact on the surrounding neighborhoods. Any changes in the use of this land, especially any development that increases demand on community resources and or intensifies traffic are of significant concern to County leadership and the residents of Fairfax County.

For that reason, I am proposing the initiation of a dialogue and negotiation between the Commonwealth of Virginia and Fairfax County to transfer the ownership of the land to Fairfax County as the NVTC closure proceeds. The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors is aware of the many potential uses of this land. We also recognize that our residents, especially those living in communities proximate to the Training Center, want to be able to provide input and guidance about how that land could be used.

Among those uses can be the development of public/private partnerships that work to meet the training and support needs of individuals with developmental and physical disabilities. Fairfax County and our Community Services Board (CSB) will continue to support Virginia's efforts to provide the needed services for people with Intellectual Disabilities, providing them with a choice of where to live and offering a range of service providers. We have consistently supported these goals with both our policies and our local funding, and we will continue to be a significant partner in the development of the community based services needed to provide those choices.

Fairfax County wants to work with the Commonwealth on a plan that would enable both parties to address the needs of our constituents and maintain our continued efforts to work together for the residents of the Commonwealth and Fairfax County.